### Maricopa County Overview of FY 2013 Budget and Property Taxes

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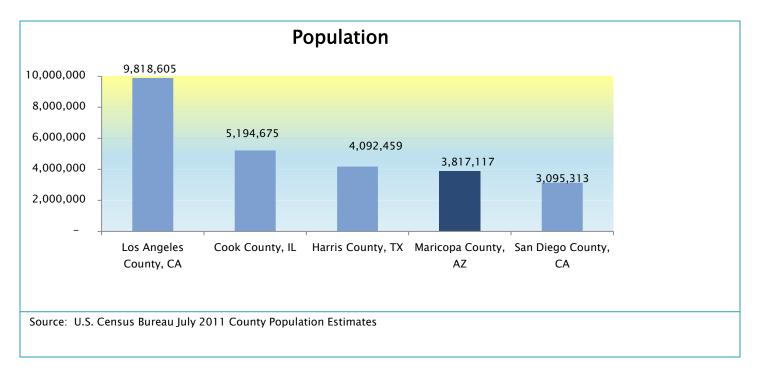
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# County-Controlled Property Taxes make up 12% of Total Property Taxes



### **About Maricopa County**

 Maricopa County is the nation's 4<sup>th</sup> largest county in terms of population



The governing body is the Board of Supervisors.

#### Mission

The mission of Maricopa County is to provide regional leadership and fiscally responsible, necessary public services so that residents can enjoy living in a healthy and safe community.

#### Vision

Citizens serving citizens by working collaboratively, innovatively, efficiently and effectively. We will be responsive to our customers while being fiscally prudent.

#### Strategic Priorities

- Ensure safe communities
- Provide all citizens with access to an effective, integrated justice system
- Promote and protect the public health of the community
- Promote opportunities for and educate residents so they can improve their own circumstances and quality of life
- Exercise sound financial management and build the County's fiscal strength

### **Strategic Priorities**

- Reduce the environmental impact of County government and provide leadership to promote regional environmental sustainability, including the preservation of open, natural park and recreation lands
- Contribute to an effective regional economy
- Contribute to a safe and effective transportation system

### **Strategic Priorities**

- Increase citizen satisfaction and trust in County government with efficient, effective, and accountable public services
- Maintain a quality, diverse and innovative workforce and equip County employees with tools, skills and technology they need to do their jobs safely and well

# Maricopa County Operates with a Structurally Balanced Budget



Definition:
Reoccurring
revenues meet or
exceed reoccurring
expenditures

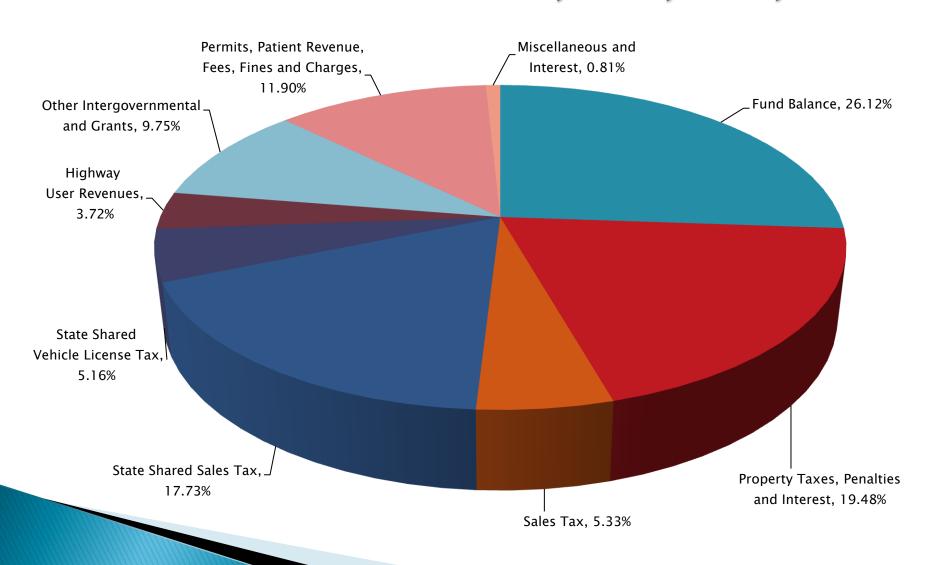
#### FY 2013 Sources of Revenue

- What are the primary sources of revenue for Maricopa County?
  - Property Taxes tax on real and personal property. These funds are used for the County's general operations.
  - State Shared Sales Tax share of the State of Arizona's sales tax used to fund the general operations of the County.
  - Licenses, permits, fees and charges for services
     charges to customers receiving licenses,
     permits or services from the County.
  - Grants and payments from other governments

#### FY 2013 Sources of Revenue

- What are the primary sources of revenue for Maricopa County?
  - State Shared Vehicle License Tax share of the personal property tax on vehicles collected by the State of Arizona used to fund general and transportation-related expenditures.
  - Jail Excise Tax voter approved special sales tax to fund detention construction and operations.
  - State Shared Highway User Revenue Fees share of the fees collected by the State of Arizona and passed through to Counties to fund construction and maintenance of streets and highways.
  - Fund Balance One-time funding used for capital and technology projects.

# FY 2013 Adopted Budget Sources of Funds: \$2,278,653,993



#### **Property Values and Taxes**

- Prior to the economic downturn, property values were increasing annually, reaching a high of \$58 billion in assessed value in fiscal year 2009
- In addition, new construction was added to the roles each year, also increasing the assessed value to be taxed
- Both these helped keep the tax rate down

#### **Property Values and Taxes**

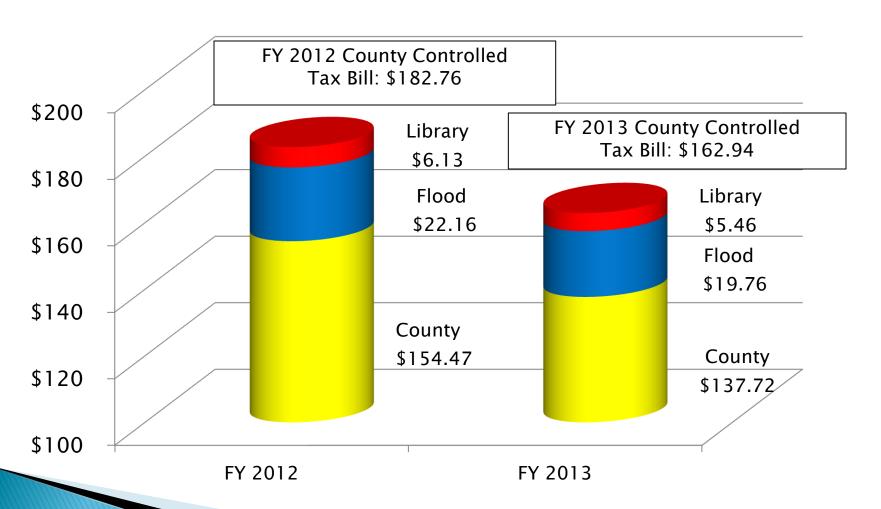
- Since the downturn, property values have been experiencing double digit declines each year
- Construction has almost ground to a halt, so few new properties have been added to the roles, so new construction no longer can help keep the rate down
- Result: to collect the same amount of taxes, the rate would need to increase

# FY 2013 Maricopa County County-Controlled Property Taxes Billed (Including New Property)

(In Millions)

	FY 2012	FY 2013	<u> Var. \$</u>
County Primary	\$477.6	\$425.1	\$-52.5
Flood Control District	62.4	54.6	- 7.8
Library District	19.1	16.9	- 2.2
	\$559.1	\$496.6	\$-62.5

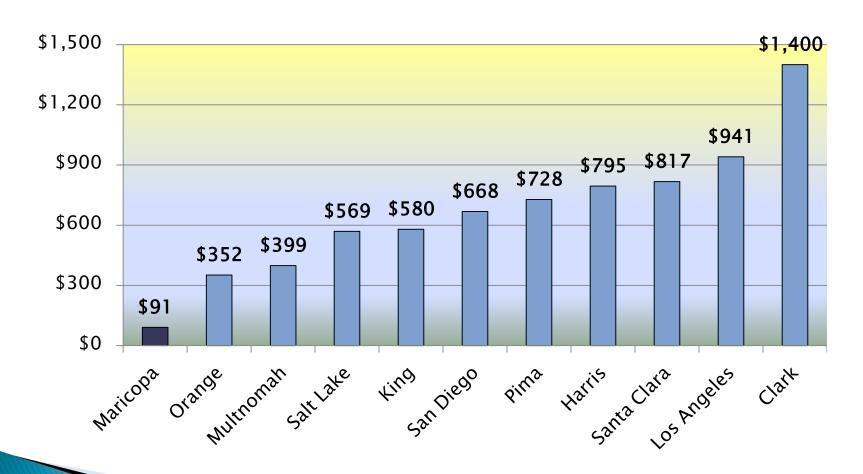
#### \$19.82 Reduction to FY 2013 County-Controlled Property Tax Bill for Average Homeowner



# County Policies Result in Accumulating Tax Bill Savings

- FY 2013 Tax Bill Savings from County Policies
  - "Pay as You Go" Capital saves Debt Service taxes:
    - \$76.3 million
  - Self-imposed District Levy Limits:
    - \$70.6 million
  - Self-imposed Flat or Reduced Primary Tax Levy
    - \$133.1 million
- Since FY 2002, these policies have saved taxpayers \$971 million in property taxes

# FY 2011 Long-Term Debt Per Person Comparison To National Benchmarks

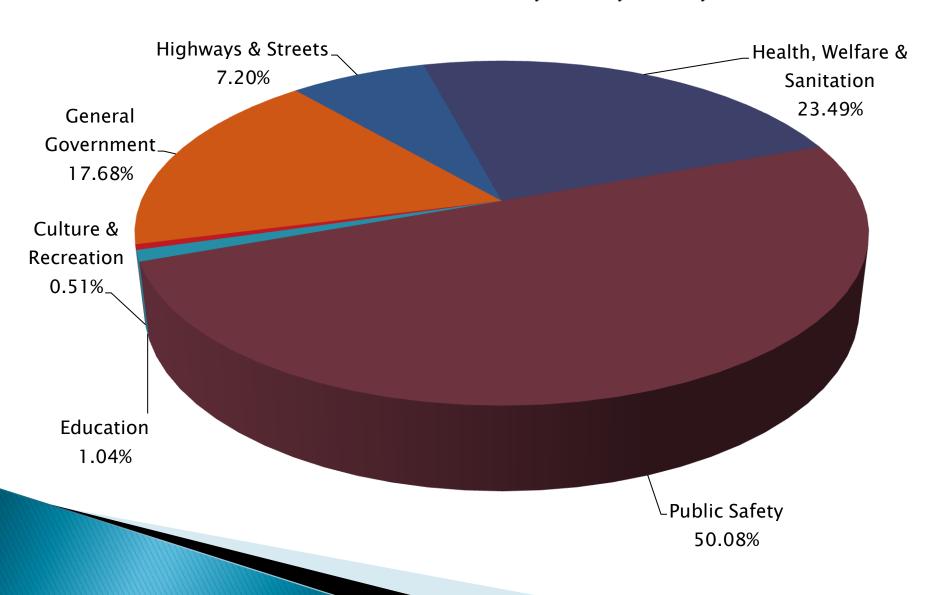


Source: Maricopa County LTD for Governmental Activities "Note 14 - Long Term Liabilities", (Benchmark CAFRs & Internal Audit Analysis)

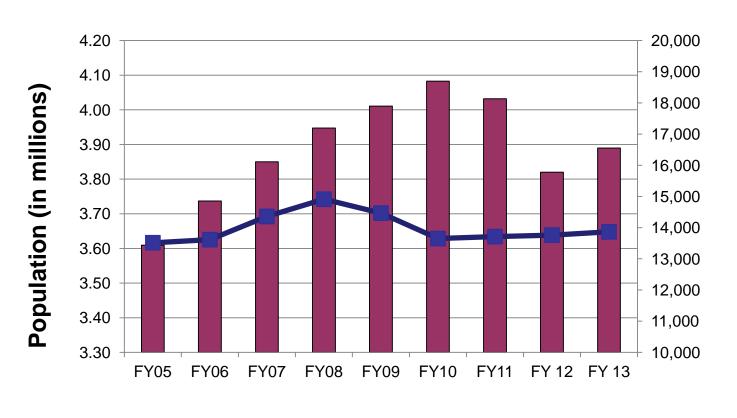
### FY 2013 Uses of Funding

- What does the County use funding for?
  - Public Safety (50.08%)
  - Health, Welfare and Sanitation (23.49%)
  - General Government (17.68%)
  - Highways and Streets (7.2%)
  - Education (1.04%)
  - Culture and Recreation (.51%)

## FY 2013 Adopted Budget Uses of Funds: **\$2,278,653,993**



# Changes in County Population and County Staffing



■Population

Staffing

**County Staff** 



#### Flood Control District Highlights

See the Secondary Tax Flood Control section of your Tax Bill for more information

- ▶ The property tax levy declined by \$7,816,594
- Overall expenditures of \$85.02 Million, a decrease of \$12,402,492
- FY 2013 CIP decreased to \$50.0 Million
- Five-year CIP projected to be\$221.0 Million



### Flood Control District CIP

Flood Control	FY 2013	FY 2014	
District Projects	Recommended	to	Five-Year CIP
(61 Projects)	Budget	FY 2017	Program Total
	\$ 50,000,000	\$ 171,000,000	\$ 221,000,000





### **Library District Highlights**

See the Secondary Tax Library section of your Tax Bill for more information

- Property tax levy is decreasing by \$2,145,042
- Overall expenditures of \$25.6M for FY 2013 is a \$89K decrease compared to \$25.7M in FY 2012
- Electronic resources and services growing to meet needs of the citizens including: books, music and in the future – movies
- Convert last 4 branches to the Deweyless system
- Summer Reading Program expansion
- Materials Assistance Program supporting additional access to library materials



### **Stadium District Highlights**

- FY 2013 expenditures: \$10.3 M
- Projects begun in FY 2012
  - Concrete repair
  - Concourse sound system
- Car Rental Surcharge revenue declining
  - Still requiring the use of fund balance to meet debt obligations
  - Bond series rating upgraded from "BBB-" to "BBB+"
  - No funding available for Arizona Sports and Tourism Authority in FY 2013

#### More Information

For more information about Maricopa County and your tax dollars, <u>click here</u> to visit Maricopa County OpenBooks.



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